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# ***Panther Sports News***

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Bonnie Bettis of Carlinville has announced she will attend Eastern Illinois University to play basketball for the AIAW II state champion Panthers.

Bettis, a 5-7 guard, was a AP Second Team all-stater in 1980, Carlinville's Athlete of the Year in '80 and team MVP this past season. She averaged 12 points and eight assists for Coach Lou Stivers' Cavaliers.

"Bonnie is an extremely capable player who is just now coming into her own," said EIU Coach Bobbie Hilke. "She improved steadily the last six or seven games of the season.

"We'd like to utilize Bonnie's outside shooting, ball handling and court awareness . . . her enthusiasm is also a big plus for us."

She is the daughter of Lester and Joy Bettis of Carlinville.